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1 AN ACT Relating to elections; amending RCW 29.07.160; and adding a
2 new section to chapter 29.07 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 29.07 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 On the day of the general election at which the president and vice-
7 president of the United States are elected, an unregistered qualified
8 elector may register to vote and may vote for the office of president
9 and vice-president in the manner provided by this section. The person
10 shall register in person in the office of the county auditor or at a
11 voter registration and voting location specifically designated for this
12 purpose by the county auditor of the county in which the applicant
13 resides. This location shall be open during the regular polling hours
14 for the election. The newly registered voter shall be given a special
15 absentee ballot which contains only the names of the candidates for the
16 office of president and vice-president of the United States. The
17 ballot shall be cast at this location in the manner provided for

1 casting absentee ballots at the auditor's office. The qualifications
2 of the voter may be challenged as provided in RCW 29.36.100.

3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 29.07.160 and 1980 c 3 s 4 are each amended to read as
4 follows:

5 The registration files of all precincts shall be closed against
6 original registration or transfers for thirty days immediately
7 preceding every primary, special election, and general election (~~and~~
8 ~~primary~~) to be held in such precincts(~~(, respectively)~~).

9 The county auditor shall give notice of the closing of (~~said~~) the
10 precinct files for original registration and transfer and notice of the
11 special registration and voting procedure provided by section 1 of this
12 act by one publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the
13 county at least five days before (~~such~~) the closing(~~(, except as~~
14 ~~provided for special elections in accordance with section 3 of this~~
15 ~~1980 act)~~) of the precinct files.

16 No person may vote at any primary, special election, or general
17 election in a precinct polling place unless he or she has registered to
18 vote at least thirty days before that primary or election.

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